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States Go to Forefront as EPA Chips Away at Backlog of Decisions

By Amena H. Saiyid

Posted March 29, 2018, 8:55 AM

Shifting the burden of environmental protection to states could speed approvals of air and water permits that businesses need to operate, as the EPA tries to halve its backlog of overdue decisions.

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Wehrum, Nichols huddle ahead of high-stakes auto decision

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EPA's Reason for Easing Auto Rules Will Set Up Next Policy Fight

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California Adopts Federal HFC Rules After Court Gutted EPA SNAP Program

The California Air Resources Board (CARB) has adopted strong controls on hydrofluorocarbons (HFCs) -- the potent climate warming chemicals -- in refrigerants and air-conditioning systems that echo requirements under EPA's Significant New Alternatives Policy (SNAP) program that were gutted by a court ruling last year.

- Conservative groups urge EPA to revoke California air act waiver
The groups' push for Pruitt to revoke California's waiver comes on the eve of EPA's expected proposal to weaken existing GHG rules for 2022-25 model year vehicles.

Utilities, Northeast States Clash Over Proof For EPA Interstate Air Petitions

Electric utilities and Northeastern states are clashing over the standard of proof states must meet in order to succeed with Clean Air Act petitions asking for direct federal regulation of air pollution sources in one state that are hindering another state's ability to attain national ambient air quality standards (NAAQS) such as the ozone NAAQS.

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Foxconn would represent major new source of air pollution in Wisconsin
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5 hours ago - The 2015 **ozone** rules were advanced under President Barack Obama after a five-year scientific review but have been attacked by business groups as costly and challenged in the courts by some states, including Wisconsin. As part of Walker's request to the **EPA**, the DNR has also filed extensive comments showing the ...

The 'secret science' that distorts air-quality studies – Orange County ...

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14 hours ago - About five years ago, House Science Committee Chairman Lamar Smith, R-Texas, expressed concern that the **EPA's** new limits on **ozone** would cost \$90 billion per year by the agency's own estimate. He was not pleased that the **EPA** had cited hidden, undisclosed data more than 1,000 times in its assessment supporting ...

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Electricity Rates Are Mostly Up, But Relief is in Sight

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Intra-urban spatial variability of surface ozone in Riverside, CA: viability and validation of low-cost sensors by Kira Sadighi, Evan Coffey, Andrea Polidori, Brandon Feenstra, Qin Lv, Daven K. Henze, and Michael Hammigan

<https://www.atmos-meas-tech.net/11/1777/2018/>

Short Summary: Ground-level ozone has negative human health impacts. In the summer of 2015, 13 low-cost sensor monitors were deployed to several neighborhoods around Riverside, California. There were significant spatial differences between monitors. This is important because it means that ozone in certain places may be higher than what EPA monitors report for an area, which is pertinent for residents of those communities. This research helps inform the limitations and advantages of low-cost sensor networks.

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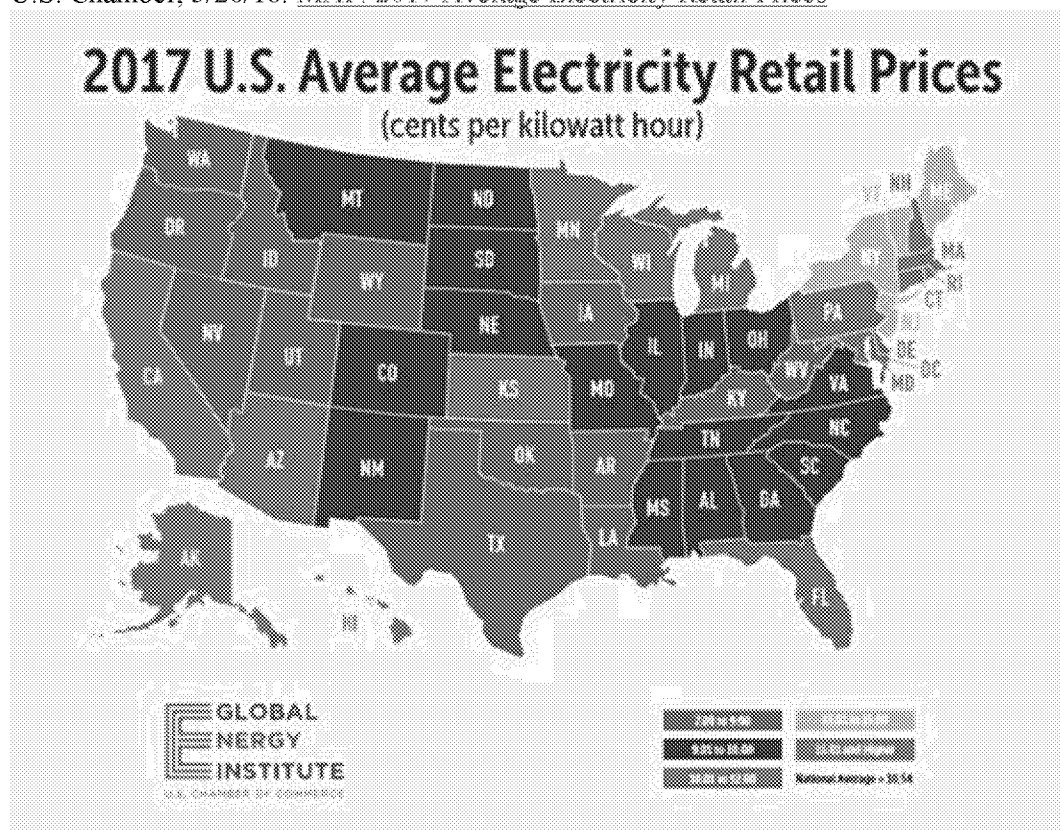
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